

Louisiana State Police

Insurance Fraud / Auto Theft Unit



2006 Annual Report

From the Superintendent



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Office of the Governor
Honorable Kathleen Blanco
State Capitol
Baton Rouge, Louisiana



Dear Governor Blanco:

The enclosed annual report provides an informative look at the efforts, accomplishments and challenges of the Louisiana State Police Insurance Fraud Unit for the calendar year 2006. This report, which has been prepared and submitted in accordance with LRS 40:1427, provides statistical and summary information on a number of performance areas as well as budget expenditures for the calendar year.

The collaboration between the Louisiana State Police Insurance Fraud Unit and its partners at the Department of Insurance and the Department of Justice is the foundation upon which our success has been built. These partnerships have put Louisiana on the cutting edge of insurance fraud investigation. Continued collaboration and your support will ensure the future success of the Louisiana Insurance Fraud Task Force.

Louisiana is recognized nationally as a leader in the field of insurance fraud investigation. However, the statistical data provided in this report highlights the unfortunate disparity between the crime and the punishment. This disparity means there is more to do in our fight against insurance fraud in Louisiana. We will continue to look for new ways to bring forth an awareness of the crime and its affects on our citizens. Should you have any questions or need further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

Colonel Henry L. Whitehorn
Superintendent
Louisiana State Police

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IFU Budget For Fiscal Year 2006

OBJ	OBJECT NAME	2234	2234	TOTAL 2006
		INSURANCE FRAUD UNIT JAN - JUN	INSURANCE FRAUD UNIT JUL - DEC	
2100	SALARIES-CLASS - REGULAR	636,830.68	669,324.99	1,306,155.67
2110	SALARIES-CLASS - OVERTIME	60,814.47	55,966.66	116,781.13
2120	SALARIES-CLASS - TERMINATION	12,197.32	7,500.88	19,698.20
TOTAL	SALARIES	709,842.47	732,792.53	1,442,635.00
2300	RETIRE CONTRIB - STATE EMPLOYE	21,419.85	22,095.90	43,515.75
2350	F.I.C.A. TAX (OASDI)		16.26	16.26
2360	MEDICARE TAX	10,191.75	10,350.37	20,542.12
2380	GROUP INSURANCE CONTRIBUTIONS	57,415.59	68,781.02	126,196.61
2410	TAXABLE FRINGE BENEFITS	13,610.40	14,352.40	27,962.80
TOTAL	RELATED BENEFITS	102,637.59	115,595.95	218,233.54
TOTAL PERSONAL SERVICES		812,480.06	848,388.48	1,660,868.54
2500	IN-STATE TRAVEL - ADMIN	219.28	0.00	219.28
2510	IN-ST TRAVEL - CONF,CONV,ATHL	865.10	460.00	1,325.10
2520	IN-STATE TRAVEL - FIELD TRAVEL		2,841.60	2,841.60
2600	OUT-OF-STATE TRAVEL - ADMIN	0.00	117.00	117.00
2610	OUT-OF-ST TRA - CONV,CONF,ATHL	-779.94	3,654.04	2,874.10
TOTAL	TRAVEL & TRAINING	304.44	7,072.64	7,377.08
2700	ADVERTISING	2,648.12	6,318.00	8,966.12
2710	PRINTING	5,649.63	0.00	5,649.63
2770	MAINT OF PROP & EQUIP - AUTO	511.34		511.34
2780	MAINT-PROPERTY & EQUIP-OTHER	8,229.51	221.70	8,451.21
2810	MAINTENANCE-JANITORIAL/CUSTOD		4,439.90	4,439.90
2811	MAINT OF GROUNDS		1,500.00	1,500.00
2825	MAINT OF DATA PROCESS EQU-SOFT	1,264.00		1,264.00
2830	RENTALS - BUILDINGS	74,685.85	89,623.02	164,308.87
2840	RENTALS - EQUIPMENT	9,645.00	5,972.80	15,617.80
2870	RENTALS - OTHER	1,972.00	744.00	2,716.00
2871	RENTALS-UNIFORMS & CLOTHING	13.50	0.00	13.50
2890	DUES AND SUBSCRIPTION	2,560.00	0.00	2,560.00
2900	MAIL, DELIVERY & POSTAGE	5,577.62		5,577.62
2910	TELEPHONE SERVICES	0.00	1,540.80	1,540.80
2950	UTILITIES - ELECTRICITY	1,434.57	1,347.62	2,782.19
2991	OP SVRS-SECURITY	120.00	318.00	438.00
TOTAL	OPERATING SERVICES	114,311.14	112,025.84	226,336.98
3100	OFFICE SUPPLIES	4,666.59	2,629.72	7,296.31
3160	OPERATING SUPPLIES - FOOD		52.00	52.00
3170	OPERATING SUPPLIES - AUTO	58,471.56	29,216.10	87,687.66
3180	OPERATING SUPPLIES - OTHER	6,490.87	13.00	6,503.87
3190	OPR SUPP'S-BLDG,GRDS,GEN,PLANT		492.19	492.19
3300	REP & MAINT SUPPLIES - AUTO	8,027.69	4,829.00	12,856.69
TOTAL	SUPPLIES	77,656.71	37,232.01	114,888.72
3650	MISCELLANEOUS CHARGES	3,430.69	1,385.82	4,816.51
TOTAL	OTHER CHARGES	3,430.69	1,385.82	4,816.51
4440	ACQUISITIONS - EQUIPMENT	18,793.00	0.00	18,793.00
TOTAL	CAPITAL OUTLAY	18,793.00	0.00	18,793.00
5040	IAT - TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH	3,379.78	3,132.76	6,512.54
5100	IAT - MISCELLANEOUS	5,250.00	1,022.00	6,272.00
TOTAL	IAT	8,629.78	4,154.76	12,784.54
TOTAL	INSURANCE FRAUD UNIT	1,035,605.82	1,010,259.55	2,045,865.37

Fraud Referrals

2006

Non-Hurricane Related Referrals:

Auto Claims Fraud	121
Disability Fraud	7
Disaster Fraud	3
Fraudulent/Invalid Auto Insurance Card	24
Glass Repair Fraud	1
Healthcare Fraud	8
Life Insurance Fraud	9
Property & Casualty Fraud	46
Producer Fraud	20
Staged Crash Fraud	18
Worker's Compensation Fraud/Premium Fraud	18
Other	55

Total Non-Hurricane Related Referrals	330
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Hurricane Related Referrals:

Auto Claims Fraud	43
Producer Fraud	21
Property & Casualty Fraud	94
Other	11

Total Hurricane Related Referrals	169
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Total IFU Referrals:	499
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Insurance Fraud / Auto Theft Stats

Insurance Fraud

Cases Opened	172
Cases Closed	197
Cases Closed by Arrest	123
Cases Closed Administratively	74
Total Arrests	159

Auto Theft Unit Has Merged With The Insurance Fraud Unit

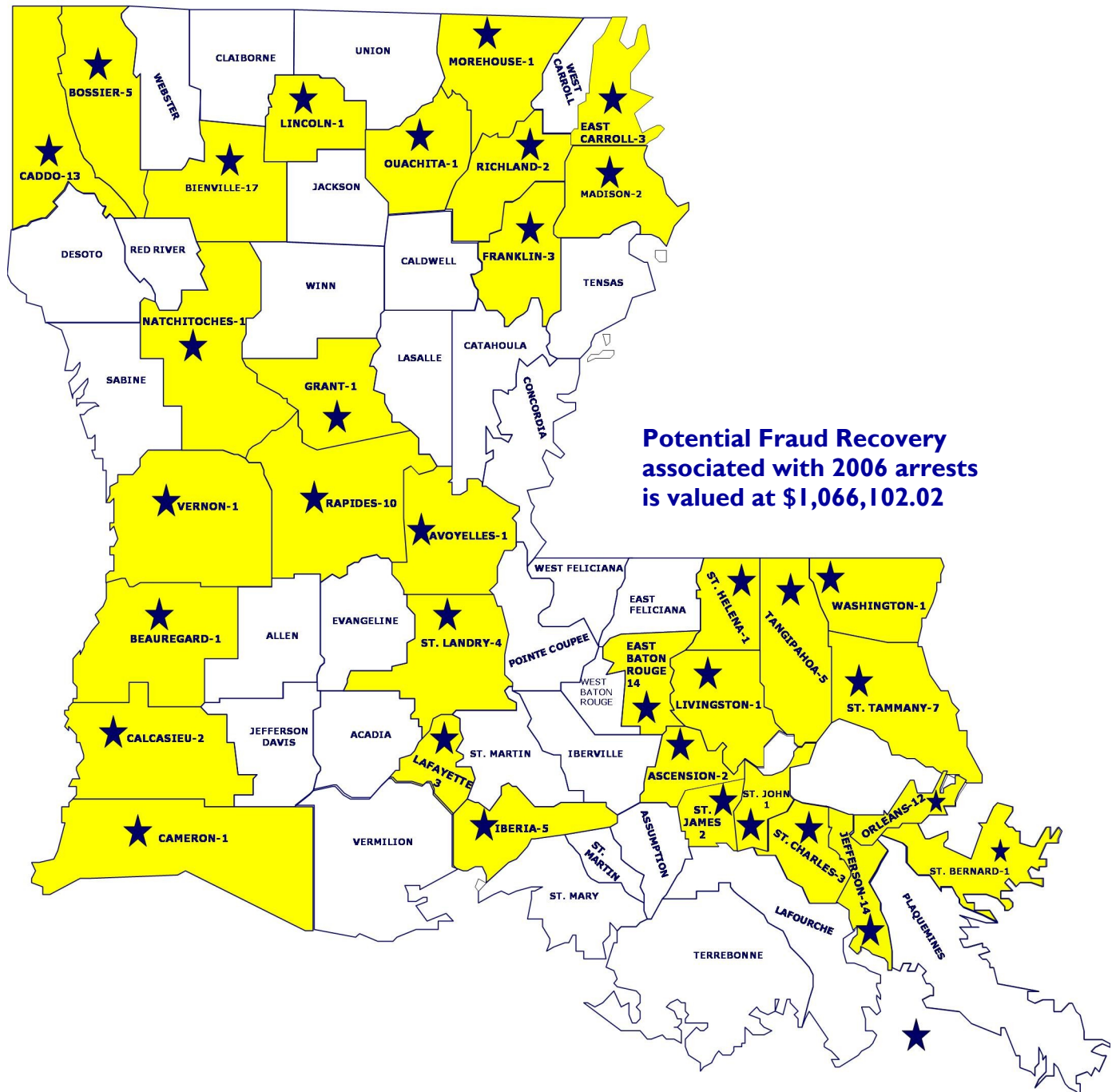


As of September 5, 2006 the Vehicle Theft Unit has merged with the Insurance Fraud Unit. The Vehicle Theft Unit was established in October 1997 and began to focus its investigative efforts on vehicle theft related crimes. Through aggressive investigative efforts, specialized training, and with the aid of mobile data terminals (MDT's) installed in unmarked units they have been responsible for recovering over 7 million dollars in stolen vehicles and heavy equipment. Personnel within both Units are excited about the merger and look forward to working as one team to fight Insurance Fraud and Vehicle Theft.

Auto Theft

Cases Opened	20
Cases Closed	27
Total Arrests	21
Recovered Property	\$1,595,377.28

2006 Insurance Fraud Arrests By Parish



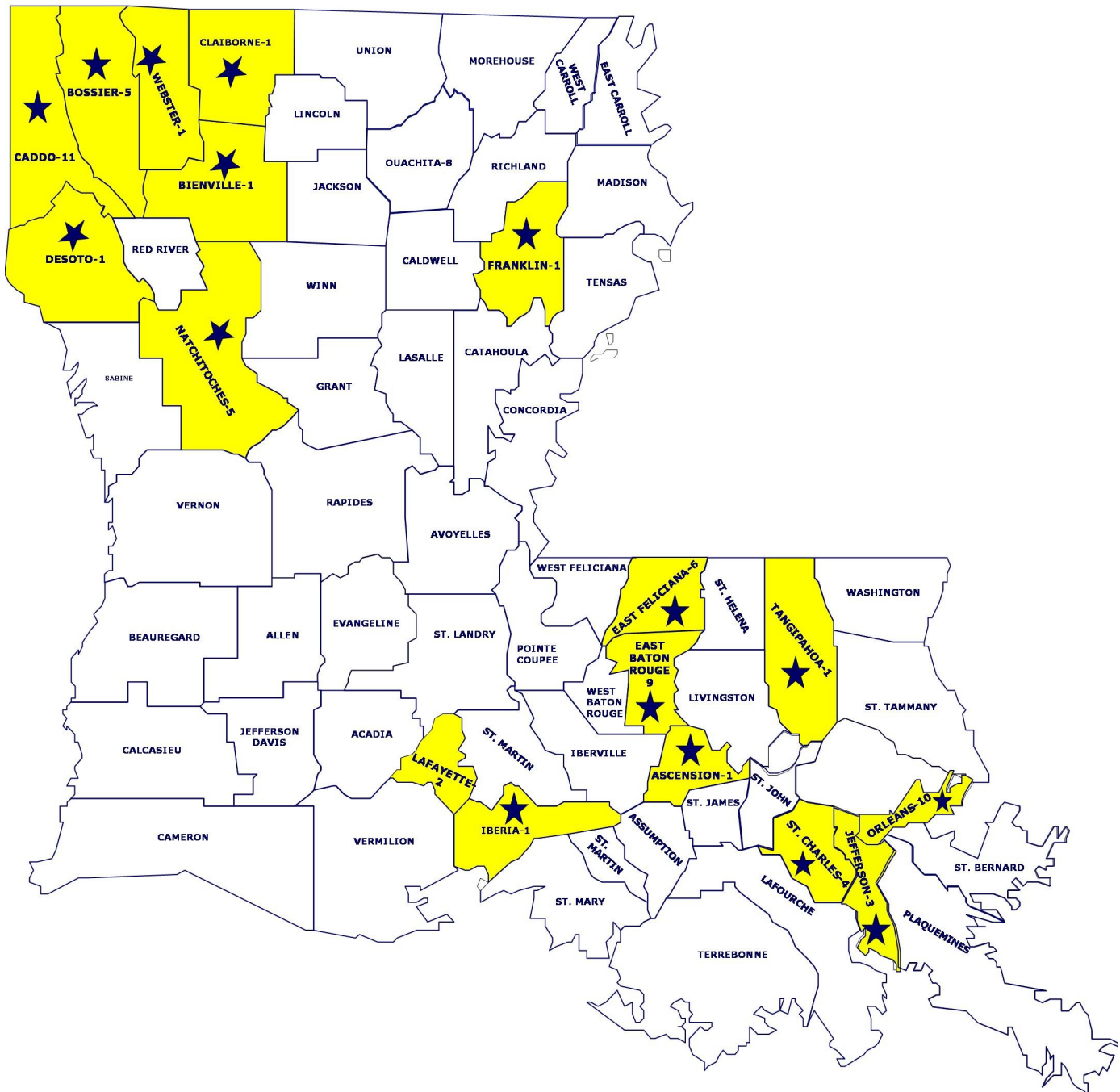
155 Total Arrests



Judicial Actions

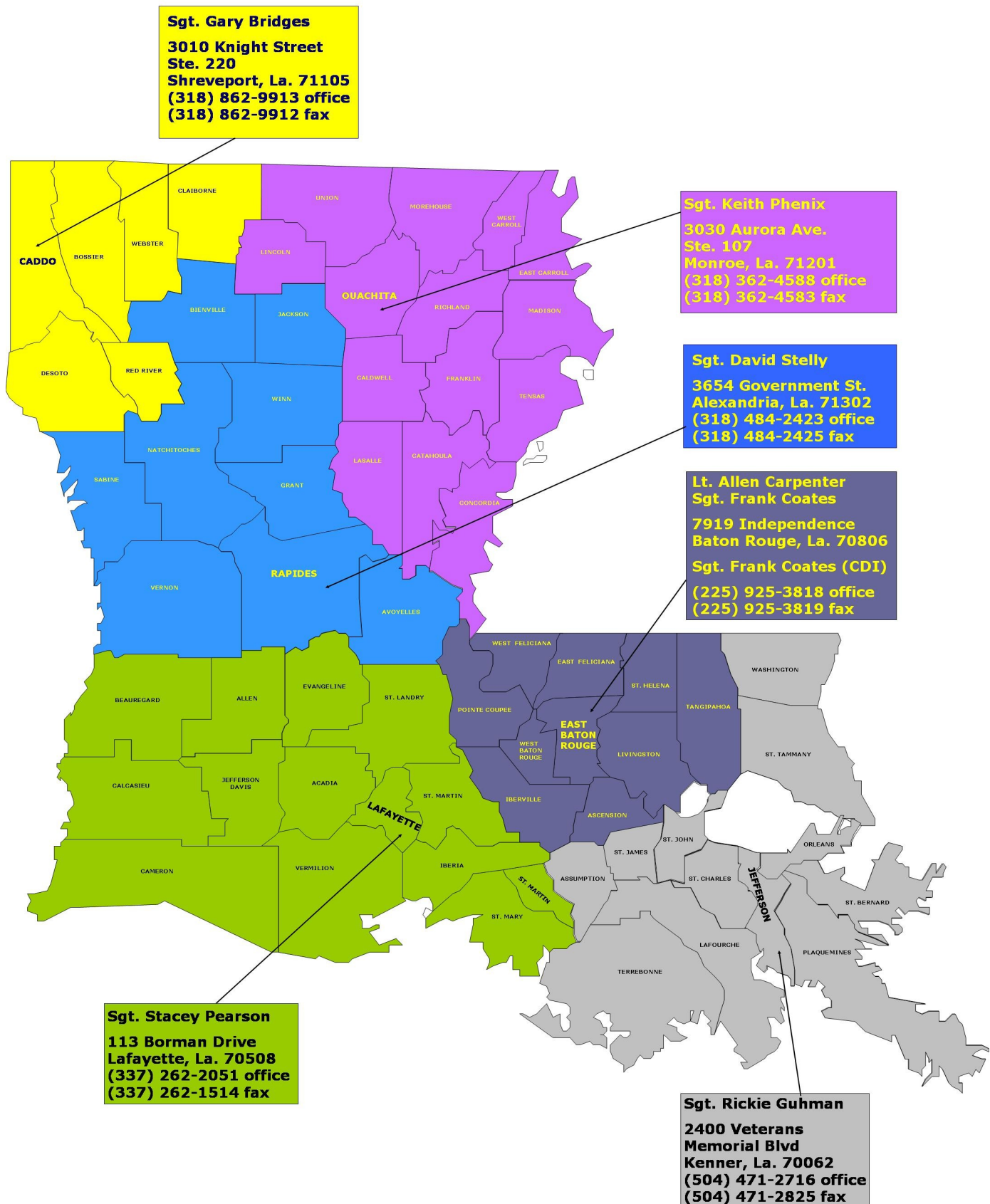
2006	
Convictions	63
Pre-Trial Intervention	6
Community Service	400 Hours
Probation Served	58 Years
Fines	\$17,313.00
Restitution	\$65,940.86
Jail Time Ordered	47 Years & 13 Days

2006 Insurance Fraud Convictions By Parish



63 Total Convictions

Insurance Fraud Unit Field Offices





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